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Ref: 8EPR-SR

Renee Schad  
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Dear Ms. Schad:

You requested a letter from EPA regarding the status of your property at 801 Cabinet Heights Road. EPA recently conducted an inspection of the property. The purpose of the inspection was to identify potential sources of Libby asbestos, such as vermiculite attic insulation, and to collect soil samples if necessary. Our inspection revealed the presence of small amounts of vermiculite attic insulation, which are likely remnants from vermiculite insulation that was previously removed. The presence of these remnants indicates that removal was not done professionally and that significant asbestos likely remains. We also identified visible vermiculite in an outdoor flowerbed. We have not yet analyzed the soil samples which were collected.

Due to the past presence of vermiculite attic insulation and the current presence of visible vermiculite in the flower bed, the property was added to EPA's cleanup list. The extent of outdoor remediation will be evaluated when the soil samples are analyzed, likely late this summer. I do not yet have a time for remediation of this property; EPA hopes to complete all residential cleanups within approximately four years.

Any cleanup performed by EPA will be at no cost to the owner, either current or future. The details of any cleanup will be discussed and agreed upon with the owner prior to any work. If you have any questions, please contact the EPA Information Center in Libby at 293-6194.

Sincerely,

Jim Christiansen  
Remedial Project Manager

